

Ingushetia Nixes Presidency

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Following Chechnya's lead, Ingushetia on Wednesday took a first step toward changing the formal title of its leader from "president" to "head" to avoid nomenclature confusion with the federal president, Interfax reported.

The Ingush legislature passed a bill on the president's new title in a first reading Wednesday and plans to have the change approved and enacted by January, the report said.

The change will cost the republic 3 million rubles (\$97,100), which will be spent on reprinting documents, the Ingush Finance Ministry said.

Chechnya's legislature changed the local Constitution to alter Ramzan Kadyrov's title from "president" to "head" last Thursday. The change will be enacted after Kadyrov's current term in office expires next spring. ✕

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